

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A device for positioning several sheets in a stapler (200), having a holder (101), a paper stop (111), which is retained by the holder (101), and an adjusting mechanism for adjusting the paper stop (111), characterized in that the holder (101) can be fitted on the stapler (200), and in that the adjusting mechanism is designed such that the paper stop (111) can be adjusted in relation to the holder (101).

2. (Original) The device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the adjusting mechanism comprises a latching mechanism for latching a plurality of predetermined latching positions between the paper stop (111) and the holder (101).

3. (Original) The device as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the latching mechanism is formed by a resilient pressure-exerting component (110) on the holder (101) and a plurality of corresponding apertures (115, 116, 117) along the paper stop (111).

4. (Original) The device as claimed in one of claims 1 to 3, characterized by the adjusting mechanism being designed so as to allow optional adjustments of an angle between a border of a sheet positioned against the paper stop (111) and a stapling produced by the stapler (200), with a predetermined distance between the stapling and the sheet border.

5. (Original) The device as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the paper stop (111) comprises the following:

- a) an angular part (112) in the form of a segment of a circle;
- b) a fastening arm (113), which extends radially inward in the plane of the angular part (112) from an angle bisector of the angular part (112) and which, at a center point of the circle, comprises means (114) for fastening the paper stop (111) in a rotatable manner on the holder (101);
- c) two stop components (120, 121), which are arranged at ends of the angular part (112).

6. (Original) The device as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that latching elements (115, 116, 117) are arranged on the angular part (112) such that the angle between the stapling and the sheet border can be latched in at 0°, 45° and 90°.

7. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~either of claims 5 and 6~~ claim 5, characterized in that the angular part (112) is designed such that the segment of the circle extends over an angle of 210°-270°.

8. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 5 to 7~~ claim 5, characterized in that the stop components (120, 121) extend vertically upward in a column-like manner from the angular part (112) and, on the paper side, are flattened for the purpose of guiding the sheets.

9. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1, characterized by the holder (101) being designed such that it can be fastened on a conventional stapler (200).

10. (Original) The device as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the holder (101) has a clamping element (104, 105) for fastening the device (100) on the conventional stapler (200).